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Subject: [External] Action Needed: NRGs Refusal to Remove Coal Ash

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Hello,

I am writing to urgently address the alarming situation surrounding NRG's refusal to remove coal ash from Lake Michigan. This blatant disregard for environmental responsibility and public health is a prime example of the zero consciousness that corporate capitalism incentivizes.

Our community deserves integrity and accountability from corporations operating within our region. The presence of coal ash in Lake Michigan poses significant risks to both the environment and public health, as toxic substances leach into the water, endangering aquatic life and contaminating our drinking water supply.

It is imperative that the state of Illinois takes decisive action to hold NRG accountable for their actions and ensure the prompt removal of coal ash from Lake Michigan. Anything less would be a betrayal of our community's trust and a failure to uphold the principles of environmental stewardship.

I urge you to prioritize the well-being of our environment and neighbors by taking immediate steps to address this pressing issue. Our community cannot afford to tolerate such irresponsible behavior any longer.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Best,

Courtney Combs